

SITUATION INFORMATION REPORT

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#### FOOR PROPERTY GAMPAIGN

Solidarity Day 19 June 1968

Its Objectives And Veho Vill Atten!

As of 10 June 1968: There is no definite information which has been reported indicating which groups are coming to participate in the mass demonstration on 19 June 1968.

During this past week there has been considerable disagreement among the lead as of the Poor Feople's Campaign over get the objectives which the planned mans demonstration on 17 June in WOC is to support.

Dayard RUSTIN, originally named on 19 h by 1768 to direct the mass demonstration, attempted on 3 June 1968 to delineate clear understandable objectives which he felt would be attainable during this session of Congress. These were:

- a. A million bederally financed "socially useful corner jobs" and public works.
- b. Repeal of the wehave "freeze" and last years social security bill.
- c. Bestoration of "budget cuts" in the LlementarySecondary Education Act and Leonomic Opportunity
  Set, with special stress on bilingual education,
  summer jobs, and Head Start.

These objectives have been reported to be legitimate demands of the poor people and attractive enough to fraw support in the demonstration from the following organizations:

a. The National Association For the Advancement of Colored Leople (EAACL)

The HAACP is the largest, oldest and noot conservative of all civil rights groups. Boy WILKING is the director. The NAACP has termed attempts to merge

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the civil rights movement with the peace movement as "a serious tactical mistake", noting that civil rights battles should be fought "on their own merits", irrespective of the state of war or of peace in the world.

## b. The National Urban League

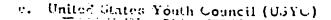
The flational Urban League stresses economic propress for Negroes in housing, education, jobs and so
on. The director of the National Urban League is
Whitney YOUNG. The organization has dictated the
the use of persuasion rather than pressure and
economic sanction in the realization of its objectives.
In late 1966, however, the Associate Director of the
WDC Urban League advocated a militant solution to
the problems of big city ghettos replacing reaconableness with demands, picketing, boycotts and court
actions. Despite this, the militants were unsuccessful, according to press reports, and the moderates
remained in control of the National Urban League.

#### c. The National Council of Churches

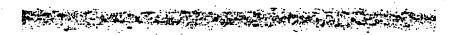
The National Council of Churches represents 3d protestant and hastern Orthodox lenominations with about 42,000,000 members. On 7 June 1768 the National Council of Churches adopted a policy approxing peaceful civil disobedience as a "valid instrument" with those who seek to correct injustice. The Rev. Truman F. BOUGLASS, Chairman of the Council's Division of Christian Life and Mission, said that this did not mean that the National Council of Churches approved of draft resistance. He said the Council might disagree with the action of an individual but it will defend his right to follow his conscience.

# d. the National Student Association (NSA)

The ISA is a liberal organization of college students which claims representation on 350 campuses. The international office of ISA was formerly of interest to this Agency.



The United States Youth Council, formerly known as the Young Adult Council, is affiliated with, among other organizations, the World Assembly of Youth (WAY). The Young Adult Council and the World Assembly of Youth has formerly been of interest to this Agency in its youth and student programs. Its president is James C. FOWLLE.



The United States Youth Council attempts to provide admitted coordinating force among youth and student groups; to promote activities by them in the fifths of human rights and social justice in this country and international cooperation abroad.

## I. The American Jewish Committee (AJC)

The AJC, whose executive vice-president is John 3LAV 30N, consists of 33,000 members. It coordinates programs of education and human relations; combats bigotry; and protects religious and civil rights.

# g. The Roman Cacholic Hierarchy

Non-specific

### h. Labor Unions

Mon-specific references. However, it has been reported that the United Automobile Workers (UAN) planned to send some 2,000 representatives in support of the Poor People's objectives as announce; by Jayard RUSTIN on 3 June.

KUSTIN'S announced objectives of the 19 June norm demonstration led to criticism by Poor People's Campaign leaders, notably Hosea VILLIAMS, the direct action leader in WDC

and James Lievel, one of AELREATHY'S aides and GOLC hashington, it. C. Campur Coordinator. Stanley Lavisch, and Harry Exection of RUSTIN'S objectives. Lavisch told highly critical of RUSTIN'S objectives. Lavisch told AEERNATHY that RUSTIN made no mention of a guaranteed income. Militants were upset over the fact that RUSTIN did not relate the objectives of the Poor People's Campaign to the Vicinature war which the younger nore militant Negroes have been advocating by the use of violence-filled ristoric in their pursuit of non-violence. These younger groups have linked poverty, racis's and apposition to the war in Victnam in what has been called a "sick society".

RUSTIN consequently resigned his position as kiarch Coordinator on Friday, 7 June. On the same day, FleanATHY animed Sterling LUCKER, Director of the Mashington Urban League, as the new director of the March. LUCKER accepted this position on Sunday, 9 June 1968 in the "hew call" sought for support of the 19 June mass demonstration. TUCKER described this new position as an almost impossible job. In an attempt to appeal to both the moderates as well as the militants and other doubtful supporters, TUCKER announced a revision of RUSEIN'S demands upon Congress to include:

- a. A leasening of the war and world violence, and
- b. Ustablishment of strong gun control.

In an effort to ally the feare of moderate sympathizers, TUCKER also amounted a commitment by the leaders of the Foor People's Campaign to avoid:

- a. Acts of violence, and
- b. Acts of civil disobedience.

According to reports, the afore mentioned admendments to the objectives of the March as announced by RUSTIN, may the designed to attract the support of such organizations as the Congress of Racial Equality led by aloyal keRESSICK and the Student Ronviolent Coordinating Committee of which the most notable member is Stokely CARNICHAL.

The Congress of Racial Equality (CORe)

The Congress of Racial Equality (CORE) was established in the Spring of 1942 by James FARMER and Jim ROLINSON. Originally it was considered one of the more moderate "civil rights organizations". Since the early 1960's, it has gradually increased in militancy and has become increasingly separatist, black supremacist and ideologically aligned with the co-called new left. CORE claims 80,000 members in 200 chapters.

The Student Nonviolent Coordinating Committee (JNCC)

The Student Nonviolent Coordinating Committee was organized in April 1960 in Baleigh, North Carolina. Originally its claimed purpose was to bring about the intergration of southern "lunch counters and movie theaters." However, in recent years SNCC has deviated grossly from this primary purpose and has been in the forefront of a number of more recent violent ractal disturbances in the country. SNCC has:

- aligned itself with the Tinvana-based Latin American Solidarity Organization (LASO), a Castro-led notwork of guerrilla fighters whose primary aid is to emport revolution in Latin Emerica and among the Regro populations, in America;
- Openly assailed Zionism and accused the Israelis of committing atrocities against the Arabs;
- 3. Openly suborted Negroes to refuse to be drafted into armed services of the U.S.;
- d. Through its immediate past chairman, Stokely CARMICHAEL, aligned itself organizationally with the so-called Elack Liberation Movement of the U.S. and has called for the "overthrow" of the present government and the start of "the real Revolution" in the U.S.

As of II June 1968: According to a special Information Report on Friday, 7 June, a head count was taken at a meeting of the Veshington Ethical Society to determine how many were interested in attending the Nearch on 19 June. It was also reported that the New York Ethical Cultural Society plans to send a bus local of members to attend the 19 June mass demonstration. Tentative plans are that the group from New York will meet at the Vashington Ethical Society and proceed to the staging area on

## The Washington Ethical Society (WES)

the day of the blarch.

According to its own statements, the Washington Tthical Society is a liberal, religious fellowship founded upon the views that the development of othical values is proporly the central and unifying purpose of a free and humane faith. It was foundedin 1943 and is a member of the American Lthical Union which in turn is responsible for the promotion and coordination of the affairs of national ethical societies such as the Washington Ethical Society and the New York Society of Uthical Culture. The Warhington Ethical Society Was supported many of the demonstrations and marches agitating for peace. in Victorm. It recently supported the mobilization for peace demonstrations which took place in April 1967. The local leader of the Washington Ethical Society is belward L. ERICSON.

At the Friday, 7 June meeting of the Washington athical society, there were a group of flyers entitled "A Call To National Action In Support Of the Foor Feople's Campaign" which those in attendance at Friday's meeting were being urged to take and distribute throughout the Washington Metropolitan Area. A neroxed copy of this flyer is attached.

Seven student leaders, under the auspices of the National Student Association, pledged a "new youth commitment" to onl poverty and predicts "at least 25,000 students will join the 19 June mass demonstration".

SOURCL: Washington Star dated Il June 1968

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Rev. At manager on it June stated that a reseting will be held in American later this work by leaders of various national groups in order to set up a support committee for the 19 June March.

SOURCE: Vashington Star dated Il June 1968

AUTHENTICATION: Lossibly reliable

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All sources are being utilized to attempt to identify specifically the groups which will definitely participate in the 19 June march demonstration. When this information is ascertained, it will be reported promptly.

Reports to date indicate that the Poor Feople's Campaign may very well have a difficult time to organise a large mass demonstration in the 9 days left to Sterling FUCKER and his assistant, David P. RUSK, the 27-year-old son of the Secretary of State.

In an editorial in the washington Star dated II June 1760, the statement is attributed to Starling TUCKLR that "success of the warch will not be determined by numbers in any event but the spirit of the organization and by the manner in which it is carried out".

Stanley LEVISON recently stated that he feels the Campaign will have to change its tactics in view of the assassination of Senator Robert F. KLINNEDY. LEVISON feels any kind of militant action would now be critical.

JOURGL: FII cable dated 10 June 1968

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